

*The War That Wasn't began in 2020.
Fascists took control of the American government.
This is their inheritance.*



HOW DEARLY HE LOVED HIM

44 BC & here & now

MB is Marcus Brutus. JC is Julius Ceasar. The rest is queer "history."

- sedition - conduct or speech inciting people to rebel against the authority of a state or monarch.
- benevolence - an act of kindness or an inclination to be kind.
- republic - a form of government in which power is held by the people and their elected representatives.

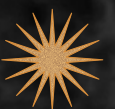


AUBERGINE

Summer/fall 2020 [pre-election]

Despite the onset of war, Nightingale and Lasken continue Violet's experiment - a 24/7 dream study, live-streamed to the world. What could go wrong?

- lucid dream - a type of dream where the dreamer becomes aware that they are dreaming.
- fascism - a form of far-right, authoritarian ultranationalism characterized by dictatorial power, forcible suppression of opposition, and strong regimentation of society and of the economy; including, but not limited to the reinforcement of "anti-diversity sentiments".

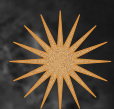


SOFT RAINS

Circa 2030 [an anthology]

Mercer and Abby are siblings who refuse to be lost to history, but not without cost.

- zeitgeist - the defining spirit or mood of a particular period of history as shown by the ideas and beliefs of the time.
- State Initiated Bombing of Savannah (SIBOS) - Savannah, Georgia was bombed in order to manufacture anti-Other sentiment.
- The Third American Genocide (TAG)/ The War That Wasn't - Though targeted, violent acts were committed long before this era, TAG marks the official restart of cleansing efforts sponsored by the government, including but not limited to interment camps, body mutilation (subnormal trackers, branding, chastity devices, etc.), and legalized murder of Others.
- Other - anyone falling outside of what the government perceives to be "normal", "right", or "good"; a person existing or in accompliceship with those on the margins of society.

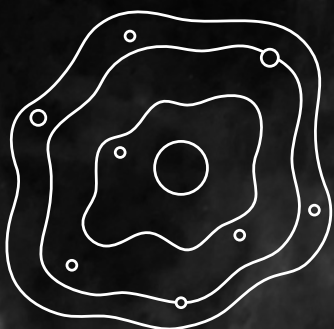


NUDE STUDY

2025

Amidst a subtle dystopia, Nina sketches Daniel though neither are who they appear to be.

- exceptional people - Others who are allowed to live, under *strict* regulations by the government, due to their talents and contributions to society.
- coup - a sudden, violent, and illegal seizure of power from a government
- art - the expression or application of human creative skill and imagination



UPON SODOM AND GOMORRAH

Late April 2016 [a Sunday]

Hannah and Renee are in love.

- Forsyth Park- the largest city park in Savannah, Georgia. South of Forsyth but north of the railroad tracks refers to a district known as "Starland" - a region similar in atmosphere to West Philadelphia.
- Tybee - a barrier island and small city near Savannah, Georgia known for its wide, sandy beaches.
- Pompeii - once a thriving Roman city, Pompeii was buried under ash and pumice after the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 A.D
- Chernobyl - a nuclear accident that occurred at the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant in the north of the Ukrainian SSR.

"CLOSE YOUR EYES AND IMAGINE A WORLD AT PEACE WITH ITSELF. NOW OPEN THEM AND MAKE IT BE."



-ZEITGEIST